

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

P.Ss. – MA & UD Dept. – Municipal Corporation of Vijayawada – Sri Ch. Balaji, Municipal Assistant Engineer - Misconduct in discharging duties – Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S.(CCA) Rules, 1991 - Charges framed – Explanation submitted – Enquiry Officer Appointed - **Further Action Dropped** – Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (L1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 177

Date: 25-02-2009.

Read the following:

1. Charge Memo. No.E4(1)/12475/2003 issued by ENC(PH) dated 16.12.03.
2. Explanation of Sri Ch. Balaji, ME Vijayawada Municipal Corporation.
3. G.O.Rt.No.601, M.A. & U.D. (L1) Dept., dated 30.04.2005.
4. From Sri M.A.S.P.Dora, CE and Enquiry Officer, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation, letter Rc.No.36938/CE/VmC/Enquiry/2004, dt. 10.07.2006.

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In the reference 1st read above, charge has been framed against Sri Ch. Balaji, Municipal Engineer, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation by the Engineer-in-Chief,(PH) Hyderabad that Sri Ch. Balaji, has failed to discharge his legitimate duties which lead to out break of diarrhea due to contamination of water and death of one girl on 18.6.2003 in Durgapuram, Vijayawada under Municipal Corporation of Vijayawada.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, Sri Ch. Balaji, Municipal Engineer, Municipal Corporation, Vijayawada has submitted his explanation that he has not failed in discharging his legitimate duties. The out break of diarrhea has happened due to the use of motors and hand bores directly connected to the old pipelines and drawal of the water from the old pipelines during the non-supply hours and the Joint Action Committee of Municipal Employees have gone strike from 13.6.2003 to 18.6.2003.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, Sri M.A.S.P. Dora, Chief Engineer was appointed as Enquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against the persons responsible for the out break of diarrhea in Durgapuram Municipal Corporation Vijayawada area.

4. In the reference 4th read above the Enquiry Officer has submitted his enquiry report. In his findings, the Enquiry Officer has reported that the out break of diarrhea might be due to many causes. But due to contamination of water. As a matter of fact the diarrhea cases are reported from all corners of the town, it cannot be attributed to negligence of three officers incharge of a small pocket. Before the onset of epidemic the situation is quite normal. Suddenly from 18.6.2003, the case started coming from all corners of the town. The out break is coincided with strike by Vijayawada Municipal Corporation Employees particularly the sanitation staff. Due to strike there will not be regular clearance of garbage, drains etc. which may result in sanitary conditions which is more harmful and also may lead to out break of epidemic like the present case.

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5. After careful examination of the matter keeping in view of the explanation of the individuals and also report of the Enquiry Officer, it is felt that the reasons put forth by the Enquiry Officer are beyond the control of Charged Officers. Therefore, it is decided to drop further action against Sri Ch. Balaji, Municipal Assistant Engineer, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation, Vijayawada.

6. Accordingly Government hereby drop further action against Sri Ch. Balaji, Municipal Assistant Engineer, Municipal Corporation, Vijayawada.

7. The Engineer-in-Chief(PH) Hyderabad shall taken action accordingly.
(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr. C.V.S.K. SARMA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri Ch., Balaji, Municipal Assistant Engineer, Municipal Corporation,
Vijayawada, through Engineer-in-Chief(PH) Hyderabad.
The Engineer-in-Chief,(PH), Hyderabad.
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